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Mr. Dulles has asked me to respond to your letter of 19 February 1959, requesting assistance on USSR gross national product and defense expenditures.

I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Dulles' address entitled, "Khrushchev's Challenge," delivered to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Pages 4 and 5 of this address give the comparisons which you requested. I have also enclosed a copy of a New York Times article by Harry Schwartz, published on 1 February of this year, which gives a series on US-USSR gross national product from 1950 through 1958, and projects them forward to 1965. We believe that, in general, this is a reasonably accurate presentation.

I hope you will find this material helpful.

Sincerely,



Assistant Director

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